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FORMALITIES LETTER



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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$414.
 - \$414 for 23 total claims over 20.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 1254.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:

- drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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02 FC:103	414.00 OP
03 FC:105	130.00 OP

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE



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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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REPLY TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

Box Missing Parts
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated March 14, 2001, the following documents and fees are being submitted for filing in the captioned application. A copy of the Notice is attached.

EXECUTED DECLARATION/POWER OF ATTORNEY

(Separate transmittal letter and postcard not required)

FILING FEE - with Fee Transmittal for Patent Applications in duplicate.

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SURCHARGE - surcharge fee of \$130.

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SEQUENCE LISTING - Filed concurrently and is attached.

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[X] TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

[x] Sheets of formal drawings consisting of Figs. 1-5, 6a-6b and 7-8 are enclosed.
(Separate transmittal letter and postcard not required)

[X] PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

- [X] Applicant hereby petitions to extend the time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated March 14, 2001 for two months from May 14, 2001 to July 14, 2001. The appropriate fee of \$390 is included in the enclosed check.
- [] A [] month extension of time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated [] was filed on [] with payment of a \$[] fee.
- [] Applicant hereby petitions for an additional [] month extension of time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts. The appropriate fee of \$[] is included in the enclosed check.

(Separate Petition for Extension of Time and postcard not required)

[] REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT - Filed concurrently and is attached.

(Separate transmittal letter and postcard required)

[] STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS

- [] Was filed on [].
- [] Is enclosed herewith.

(Separate transmittal letter and postcard not required)

- [] In view of the small entity status of the captioned application, we hereby request a reimbursement of 50% of the filing fees in the amount of \$[] which were paid on [] to be deposited in Deposit Account No. 08-0380.

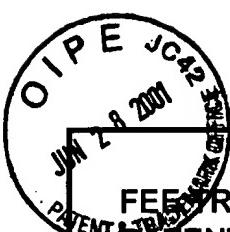
The fees required for filing the indicated documents are enclosed in the form of a check in the total amount of \$1644. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees that may be due in this matter to Deposit Account No. 08-0380. A copy of this letter is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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FEES TRANSMITTAL FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS	Attorney Docket Number	2479.2075-000
	Application Number	09/775,305
	First Named Inventor	G. Rodney Nelson, Jr.

CLAIM CALCULATION (includes any preliminary amendment)

CLAIMS	(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
	TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c) or (j))	43 - 20* =	23	x \$ 18 =	\$ 414
	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b) or (i))	3 - 3** =	0	x \$ 80 =	\$ 0
	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR 1.16(d))			+ \$ 270 =	\$
				BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a) or (h))	\$ 710
			Total of above Calculations =		\$ 1124
			Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28) =		\$
			TOTAL =		\$ 1124
			Surcharge - Late Filing of Declaration or Filing Fees (37 C.F.R. 1.16(e)) =		\$ 130
			Petition for Extension of Time Fee (37 C.F.R. 1.17) =		\$ 390
			Assignment Recordation Fee = (only when filed with application)		\$
	* Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent ** Reissue independent claims over original patent			TOTAL =	\$ 1644

1. Small entity status:

- a. A small entity statement is enclosed.
- b. A small entity statement was filed in the prior non-provisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
- c. Is no longer claimed.

2. A general authorization is hereby granted to charge deposit account number 08-0380 for any fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 in order to maintain pendency of this application. A copy of this authorization is enclosed for accounting purposes.

3. A check is enclosed for \$1644. Please charge \$[] to Deposit Account No. 08-0380.

4. Other: _____

Signature	<i>Paul P. Kriz</i>	Date	June 25, 2001
Submitted by Typed or Printed Name	Paul P. Kriz	Reg. Number	45,752